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		Filing Date	07/07/97
		First Named Inventor	Scharf et al.
		Art Unit	1764
		Examiner Name	E. McAvoy
		Attorney Docket Number	2730R-01

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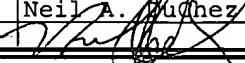
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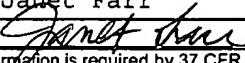
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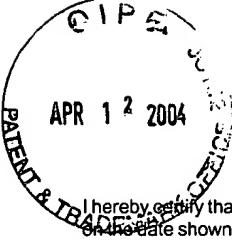
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